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CONDITION OF FLEET EXCELLENT JUNE 30

Letter From Secretary Daniels Accompanying Finding Pointed Out That Many Faults Corrected.

[By Associated Press.]

Washington, Jan. 20.—Stripped of its military secrets, the annual report of Admiral Fletcher, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet, was made public Wednesday by the senate. It says that on June 30 last the fleet was better balanced and doing better shooting than ever before in its history, but lists fifteen specific recommendations as to conditions which should be remedied, ranging from shortage of men and lack of swift scout cruisers and aircraft too elimination of the compulsory feature of the navy's educational system.

With the admiral's report was a letter of transmittal from Secretary Daniels stating that many of the conditions referred to already had been remedied and that steps had been taken to carry out other recommendations. The secretary also pointed out that Admiral Fletcher said most of the weaknesses were of long standing, and that he had omitted discussion of "the many satisfactory features of the fleet" in the interest of brevity.

"During the past year," says the report, "the number of units assigned to the fleet has been increased 15 per cent, resulting in a better balanced fleet, as was shown by the maneuvers in August. There are now in the Atlantic fleet 118 vessels of various types, manned by a force of more than 27,000 men."

Referring to the maneuvers of the year about which there has been much discussion, Admiral Fletcher states that "all the operations of these maneuvers were successfully carried out, with the exception of the movements of the submarines, and the results reflect credit on the personnel and material of the fleet."

A suggestion in the report which attracted considerable attention said: "I consider it important that the department investigate the possibility of providing grapeshot or a similar form of ammunition for use of the turret guns in repelling destroyer attacks."

HOUSE GOES TO PARIS TODAY.

Has Concluded Conferences With the British Officials.

London, Jan. 20.—Having concluded his conferences with prominent British officials, Colonel E. M. House, personal representative of President Wilson, departed for Paris today. He will be back in London about Feb. 10 and sail for New York Feb. 19.

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COTTON OFF ON LONG JOURNEY

Cargo of 12,750 Bales Leaves Galveston for Japan and Goes Around Cape Horn.

[By Associated Press.]

Galveston, Tex., Jan. 20.—Total foreign exports Wednesday amounted to \$1,205,071, of which the principal item was the shipment to Kobe and Yokohama of 12,750 bales of cotton, valued at \$844,588.

It was the first shipment of staples to Japan in several months, and probably will be routed around the Horn, as the Panama Canal is closed.

The steamer carrying this shipment is the Japanese ship Tenshin Maru. She has also transited cargo of metals from New York.

SENORA HUERTA APPEALED TO PRESIDENT FOR RELIEF.

Asked That Persecution Be Stopped Now That Husband Was Dead.

[By Associated Press.]

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 20.—A personal appeal has been made to President Wilson by Senora Emilia Aguilar de Huerta, widow of the late General Huerta, to stop the persecution of her family, now that General Huerta is dead. The telegram was sent to President Wilson, and is as follows:

"To His Excellency, Woodrow Wilson, President Estados Unidos: My husband, Victoriano Huerta, is now dead. I cannot know of the effect, if any, of his death on you, but for me it has resulted in leaving me a widow in an alien land and my children, some of them still minors, are left without the protecting hand of a father.

"With his last conscious breath he was noble enough to breathe a prayer of forgiveness for all those who had wronged him. I cannot but feel, now that he lies cold in death, all persecution should cease. But today my son-in-law, Luis Puentes, on whom I lean in my great sorrow, was arrested by the government, and had it not been for the great clemency of American friends, my son-in-law would have been cast in jail, as was my husband, for I am honored and my children honored himself and my children in dying penniless outside of what small interests he may have left in his own happy fatherland, from which, by your assistance, he was expatriated.

"May I not ask, sir, now that death has closed his eyes, that you and your government in living, will be magnanimous as he was in the presence of death, and that whatever persecutions he may have been subjected to in his life, will not be visited on his widow and children during the time they must remain in this great country of yours and until they can return with the dust of their father to their own beloved Mexico. May I not, sir, expect this of you, and ask it of you, as the helpless widow of one who, though now dead, could have brought peace, if left unhampered, to my unhappy country?"

BIG DIVIDEND FOR BETHLEHEM STEEL

[By Associated Press.]

New York, Jan. 20.—The Bethlehem Steel Company declared a dividend of \$30 per share out of the 1915 earnings.

FIGHTING RENEWED AND PEACE TERMS REJECTED

Peace Terms From Austria to Montenegro Not Accepted and Were Turned Down, Whereupon Hostilities Were Resumed—The King Remains With His Army—Greek King Protests Action of Allies at Salonika.

[By Associated Press.]

Rome, Jan. 20.—The Austrians and Montenegrins have resumed fighting, according to an official notification to Italy by Montenegro today.

King Nicholas in his note said Montenegro had rejected all Austrian terms, and that fighting was already renewed. The king remains with his army to organize the country's defense.

[By Associated Press.]

Athens, Jan. 20.—King Constantine summoned the Associated Press correspondent late yesterday to make a protest through the United States press, which is the "only forum of public opinion open to him," against the recent actions of the allies at Saloniki. King Constantine compared

the situation to an armed force occupying that portion of the United States which America won from Mexico, and that the "plea of military necessity" offered by the allies was like the German excuse for invading Belgium.

[By Associated Press.]

London, Jan. 20.—The liner Ryndam, which has been aground at Gravesend, was floated today.

[By Associated Press.]

London, Jan. 20.—The Aylmers relief expedition has reached within seven miles of Kut-el-Amara, where the British are surrounded by Turks. A British submarine ashore off Holland, according to the official report. The crew was saved. There is no great fighting on any front.

WANT FELIX DIAZ AS NEW LEADER

Four Thousand Calling for Him—Carranza Adherents and Americans to Be Killed.

[By Associated Press.]

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 20.—Four thousand Mexican malcontents are operating near Torreon and shouting for Felix Diaz as a leader and declaring that Carranza adherents and Americans are to be killed and all property stolen, according to passengers arriving today. Carranza troops at Torreon have not taken the field against them.

A. & M. DEFEATED DECATUR COLLEGE

Fast Basket Ball Quintet of Aggies Snowed Under Visiting Team From Decatur.

In one of the fastest games of basket ball ever played on the A. and M. court the Aggies whipped the Decatur Baptist College five, always a contender for state championship honors, by the score of 57 to 17 last night. The Decatur basket shooters were fast, and fought gamely through the entire game, showing a burst of speed in the latter part of the last half that gave them practically all of their points. The weight and superior team work of the Aggies were responsible for their defeat.

Burkett of Galveston did some spectacular basket shooting. Nick Braumiller was another star for the Aggies, throwing eleven baskets. Hawkins and Hoyle, for Decatur, were stars.

Decatur left for Houston last night, where it meets Rice Institute tonight.

The lineup:
A. & M. Position. Decatur.
N. Braumiller (capt.) Foster, Hawkins Right Forward.
Burkett, Hanson.....Young (capt.) Left Forward.
Settegast, Litterest.....Hoyle Center.
Kendrick, Barnes.....Poteet Right Guard.
W. Braumiller.....Owen, Harralson Left Guard.

Time of halves: 20 minutes. Referee: Firth of Chicago. Umpire: Steger of Ohio Wesleyan. Baskets thrown: Settegast 6, N. Braumiller 11, Burkett 7, Kendrick 3, Hanson 1, Hoyle 2, Young 4, Poteet 1. Fouls: A. and M. 8, Decatur 1. Fouls thrown: Hanson 1, Hawkins 3.

NEW MEXICO SWEEP BY SNOW STORM

Snow Covers Ground Ten Inches Deep and Communication Is Prostrated.

[By Associated Press.]

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 20.—There is ten inches of snow in New Mexico, with a severe storm, prostrating communication with that section. A portion of the Pacific coast storm is sweeping eastward.

SAYS ADMINISTRATION TO BLAME

Republican Congressman Says Murders Fruit of Administration's Mexican Policy.

[By Associated Press.]

Washington, Jan. 20.—The San Ysabel murders of Americans was declared to be the "logical fruit" of the administration's Mexican policy, by Representative Mondell of Wyoming. Republican, in reviewing the outrages committed against Americans in Mexico. The administration was charged with satisfying a "personal vengeance" in dealing with Huerta, and showed insincerity in its declarations when it recognized Carranza.

ARKANSAS STATE CONVICTS ESCAPE

Sawed Way Through Stockade With Saw Made From a Table Knife.

[By Associated Press.]

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 20.—Twenty-four white prisoners at the state farm escaped some time last night by sawing through planks in the stockade with a saw made from a table knife. None had been apprehended at noon.

[By Associated Press.]

Paige, Tex., Jan. 20.—This place was visited by a slight earthquake Tuesday about 11:45 a. m. The houses were rattled, accompanied by a dull rumbling and roaring noise under the ground. It lasted only a few seconds. Farmers about two miles from Paige felt the shock and were lifted off the ground with the plow, and frightened the horses.

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SEC. DANIELS WAS ASSAILED

Security League Speakers Said His Program Was Weak and Insufficient.

[By Associated Press.]

Washington, Jan. 20.—Speakers at the National Security League convention assailed Secretary of the Navy Daniels' navy increase program as weak and insufficient, and having created a situation where "an American citizen's life in Mexico was worth no more than that of a turkey buzzard."

FRUIT JOBBERS MEET IN NEW ORLEANS

[By Associated Press.]

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 20.—New Orleans gets the next convention of the Western Fruit Jobbers' Association. Fort Worth, Tex., was a candidate.

VETERANS TO MEET IN BIRMINGHAM

[By Associated Press.]

New Orleans, La., Jan. 20.—The next reunion of Confederate Veterans will be held in Birmingham, Ala., on May 15 to 18, according to an official announcement made today.

DERELICT STEAMER SIGHTED AT SEA

Burned to Water's Edge With No Sign of Life Aboard—Carried Norwegian Flag.

[By Associated Press.]

New York, Jan. 20.—A vessel with the Norwegian flag painted on her side was discovered in mid-Atlantic by the British steamer Penstone arriving today, having burned to the water's edge. There were no signs of life on boats or rafts, according to the captain's report.

Don't lose all your energy waiting for rich relatives to die.

HOKE SMITH ROMPS ON GREAT BRITAIN

Denounces Her Lawless Treatment of American Cotton Along With Other Sins.

[By Associated Press.]

Washington, Jan. 20.—"Great Britain's lawless treatment of the American cotton trade" was denounced by Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia in the senate today while pleading for action to prevent England from advancing her own trade at the United States' expense, while attempting to destroy Germany commercially. He said Germany had not used or needed cotton for eight months, as she had found a cheaper substitute in explosive making in wood pulp.

ASKED FOR MONEY AND WAS ARRESTED

San Francisco Man Taken into Custody Because He Had Written the President for Money.

[By Associated Press.]

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 20.—John Paul Winn, who the police said had written President Wilson demanding money during the past two months, was arrested today and will be examined as to his sanity. Winn claims every citizen has a right to ask the president for money.



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